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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Sir:

This responds to the Requirement for Restriction mailed March 26, 2004 in the above-identified application.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-6 and 18, directed to a method for calculating metrics of a trellis function, classified in class 714, subclass 786.
- II. Claims 7-14 and 19, directed to a method for calculating metrics of a trellis function, classified in class 714, subclass 794.